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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Application of:	Arindam DATTA et al.	Confirmation No.:	9031
Serial No.:	10/749,742	Art Unit:	3762
Filed:	December 30, 2003	Examiner:	To Be Assigned
Title:	RETICULATED ELASTOMERIC MATRICES, THEIR MANUFACTURE AND USE IN IMPLANTABLE DEVICES	Attorney Docket No:	11300-003-999 (CAM No. 803525-999002)

**PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 CFR § 1.136(a)**

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

It is respectfully requested that the time for response to the Office Action dated May 4, 2004 be extended for a period of 4 months from July 4, 2004 to and including November 4, 2004.

The fee for this extension, for a small entity, is estimated to be \$765.00. Please charge the required fee to Jones Day Deposit Account No. 50-3013. A copy of this sheet is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

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